

What is claimed is:

1. A hair conditioning composition comprising by weight:

(a) from about 0.1% to about 20% of a silicone system comprising:

(i) a first silicone which is non-volatile, substantially free of amino groups, and has a viscosity of from about 100,000mPa·s to about 30,000,000mPa·s;

(ii) a second silicone which is non-volatile, substantially free of amino groups, and has a viscosity of from about 1mPa·s to about 10,000mPa·s; and

(iii) a third silicone which is an aminosilicone having a viscosity of from about 100mPa·s to about 50,000mPa·s;

(b) from about 0.1% to about 10% of an amidoamine having the following general formula:



wherein R^1 is a residue of C_{11} to C_{24} fatty acids, R^2 is a C_1 to C_4 alkyl, and m is an integer from 1 to 4;

(c) an acid selected from the group consisting of l-glutamic acid, lactic acid, hydrochloric acid, malic acid, succinic acid, acetic acid, fumaric acid, l-glutamic acid hydrochloride, tartaric acid, and mixtures thereof, at a level such that the mole ratio of amidoamine to acid is from about 1:0.3 to about 1:1.3;

(d) from about 0.1% to about 20% of a high melting point fatty compound; and

(e) an aqueous carrier.

2. The hair conditioning composition of Claim 1 wherein the first and the second silicones are contained at a level such that the weight ratio of the first silicone to the second silicone is from about 1:1 to about 1:10.

3. The hair conditioning composition of Claim 1 wherein the first, the second, and the third silicones are contained at a level such that the weight ratio of the third silicone to the total of the first and the second silicones is from about 1:1 to about 1:20.

4. The hair conditioning composition of Claim 1 wherein the silicone system has a viscosity of from about 500mPa·s to about 100,000mPa·s.

5. The hair conditioning composition of Claim 1 wherein the aminosilicone has an amino equivalent of from about 500 to about 20,000.
6. The hair conditioning composition of Claim 1 further comprising from about 0.01% to about 5% of a polysorbate.
7. The hair conditioning composition of Claim 1 wherein the amidoamine is behenamidopropyl dimethylamine.